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IN RE APPLICATION OF: BRIJ BAHADUR AGRAWAL, ET AL

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FOR: PROCESS FOR THE FIXED BED SWEETENING OF PETROLEUM
DISTILLATES USING HALOGENATED METAL PHTHALOCYANINE AS A
CATALYST

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DECLARATION

I, Joseph H. Handelman, declare as follows:

I am an attorney representing the applicant.

The amendment proposed for the last paragraph of page 5 of the description changes the reference of the material incorporated from "NF 260/98" to "U.S.S.N. 09/804,985, filed March 13, 2001".

The description of the said U.S.S.N. 09/804,985 is the same as the description referenced as NF 260/98. The latter (NF 260/98) is the same as Indian Patent Application No. 1030/Del/2000 which corresponds to U.S.S.N. 09/804,985.

I also declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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